



Texas Department of Public Safety Texas Division of Emergency Management State Situation Report

Event Name	Potential Heavy Rainfall Incident (FINAL)
Date	3/23/15
Time	1600
Operational Period	3/21/15 to 3/23/15
Report Number	3

Regions Affected	
DPS Regions Affected	1,2,3,6
DDCs Active	None

STATEWIDE CURRENT SITUATION:

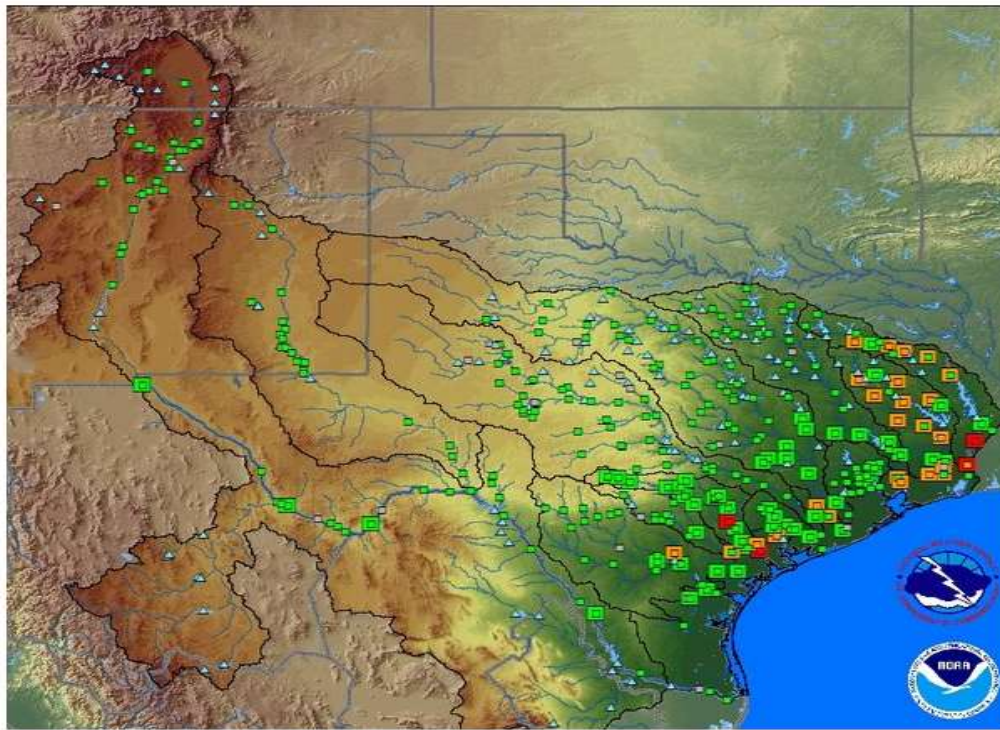
The State Operations Center resumed Level IV (Normal Conditions) effective noon, Saturday, March 21, 2015. All activated state resources were released.

Most river systems in eastern and southern Texas are currently experiencing higher flows within near flood or minor flood levels, with a few isolated areas within moderate flood level. Rainfall has moved out of the area and drier conditions are expected for the next 3 days. Rainfall received has greatly increased soil moisture conditions and added much needed flows into area reservoirs. However, most reservoirs west of the I-35 corridor remain well below conservation levels.

OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES:

1. Protect life and property.
2. Support rapid & effective response.
3. Collect and disseminate accurate incident information to improve decision-making.
4. Accurately track incident costs associated with assigned resources for cost recovery.

Moderate flooding occurring or expected

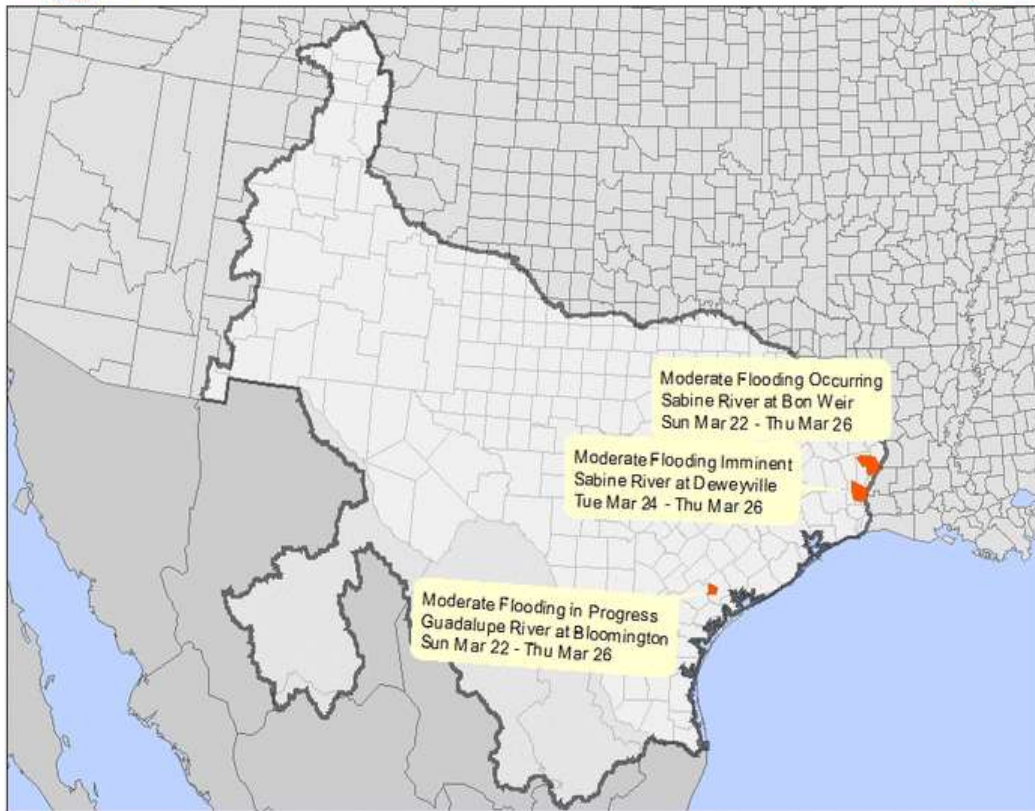




Significant River Flood Outlook

Valid: 3/22/2015 - 3/27/2015

West Gulf River Forecast Center 3/22/2015 1:26:11 PM



**SIGNIFICANT RIVER
FLOODING POSSIBLE.**

**SIGNIFICANT RIVER
FLOODING LIKELY.**

**SIGNIFICANT RIVER
FLOODING OCCURRING
OR IS IMMINENT.**

Significant River Flooding Impacts include:
Roads adversely affected. Residential,
commercial, industrial, and/or agricultural
areas affected. May require evacuation of people.

NOTE: Flash Flooding or Minor River Flooding
will NOT be included in this outlook.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is reporting water over the roadways for the following roadways / highways: (Source: <http://conditions.drivetexas.org/current/conditions.asp>)

TxDOT Region	County	Road/Highway	Description
Paris	Delta	FM 71	Closed Due to Flooding

DPS Region 2

Jasper County: Jasper County submitted a Disaster Declaration due to flooding on March 22, 2015.

The Flood Warning for the Neches River in Jasper County remains in effect until Tuesday morning at 0830 AM. Water levels are forecast to rise through at least Thursday.

District Coordinators (DCs) will monitor weather reports, flood warnings, Sabine River Authority release notices, and participate in National Weather Service (NWS) conference calls as necessary.

DPS Region 6

The following low water crossings in the Austin Metro area and some surrounding counties remain impacted, due to water over the roadway: (Source: <http://www.atxfloods.com/>)

- Summit St @ Brushy Creek, Round Rock, Williamson County
- CR 134 @ CR 132, Williamson County
- CR 123 @ Brushy Creek, Williamson County
- CR 177, Williamson County

RESPONDING STATE AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS

Texas Task Force 1 (TTF1): Four swift water rescue boat squads have been demobilized effective 6:00 PM on 03/21/2015

Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD): TPWD has demobilized.

Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT): TxDOT remained on stand-by throughout the weekend, with no reports of damages to infrastructure. A few Farm-to-Market roads still had water over them. TxDOT set up temporary detours and displayed "Turn around don't drown" messages in affected areas. To see current road conditions, please review www.DriveTexas.org.

FINAL COMMENTS: The State Operations Center (SOC) is currently at Level IV (Normal Conditions), monitoring river flood gauges and weather conditions across the affected areas.

The four levels of SOC activation are:

- Level I (Emergency Conditions)
- Level II (Escalated Response Conditions)
- Level III (Increased Readiness Conditions)
- Level IV (Normal Conditions)

This Situation Report can be found on the TDEM webpage at www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem.

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